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SUBJECT: COAST GUARD SEIZURE OF THE M/V YOUSRU AND HONDURAN LAWS APPLICABLE

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1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED HONDURAS FOREIGN MINISTRY NOTE NO. 2063, DATED SEPT 28, 1977, FORMALLY CONFIRMING GOH DESIRE THAT THE USG DETAIN AND HOLD THE M/V YOSURU, ITS OFFICERS AND CREW FOR PROSECUTION UNDER HONDURAS LAW. THE EMBASSY HAD CONFIDENTIAL

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EARLIER COMMUNICATED FOREIGN MINISTER ROBERTO PALMA GALVEZ' ORAL COMMITMENT IN REF C.

2. NOTE 2063 CITES THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS OF LAW UNDER WHICH VESSEL AND PERSONS INVOLVED WILL BE PROSECUTED:

A. THE CHARGE OF CONTRABAND AND FISCAL FRAUD, LAW OF

CONTRABAND AND FISCAL FRAUD, UNDER ARTICLES ONE, THREE (PARTS 1 AND 4) AND ARTICLE 13 AND OTHERS.

B. MERCHANT MARINE LAW, ARTICLE 24, AMENDED.

3. THE NOTE STATES, FURTHER, THAT IN APPLICATION OF THE ABOVE LAWS AND THE PENAL CODE, THE CORRESPONDING TRIBUNAL OF JUSTICE HAS APPLIED FOR ARREST WARRANTS. COPIES OF NOTE NO. 2063 WILL BE FORWARDED BY CLASSIFIED POUCH TO STATE ARA/CEN - HONDURAS SEPTEMBER 30. BARTCH

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